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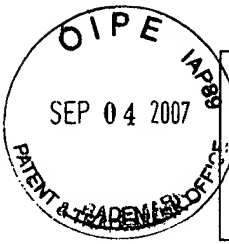
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated June 1, 2007 and request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.